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EDITORIAL.

It appears that maybe the producer of the 'Elite' files that so many ufologists received last year, may have struck again. I recently received a large brown manila envelope postmarked West London. As I went to open the envelope, I noted that the word 'GUARDIANS' was written in such a position that it would be hard to miss. The paper inside covered the Wembley UFO Conference in January 1993 year organised by Mary Seal.

The paper set out to review the speakers at the conference and the messages and warnings that each speaker told the gathered public. On pages 7/8 and 10, they even added the old thick black lines blacking out 1 word or even a sentence. The 10 pages finished with the words 'by the new age promised by Christ'....(What else can I say....ED.)..

I think someone is having a great big laugh at the UFO community by producing this trash, but if thou do'st as I do, then 'BIN IT..!!!!!!!!!!!!!!'.

The 1995 UFO conference is now about 6 months away and ticket sales are around 35 - 40 at present, and as we only have about 100 to sell in total. So, if you want a ticket, then please contact me as soon as possible, or you may be disappointed. One sad bit of news, is that Paul Fuller has pulled out for personal reasons. I was very disappointed at Paul's decision, but I stand by his reasons and the show must go on. I was very fortunate in getting a replacement for Paul very quickly, and I am happy to announce that Mr Busty Taylor, Crop Circle researcher and photographer, will replace Paul.

WHAT THE MEDIA HAD TO SAY IN SEPTEMBER 1993.

CROP CIRCLE ARTICLES :

3.9.93 : ANDOVER ADVERTISER : THE MYSTERY WARNING IN CROP CIRCLES.

MAGAZINE ARTICLES :

00.9.93 : FOCUS : UFO SIGHTINGS : ARE ALIENS ALL IN THE MIND ?
00.9.93 : YORKSHIRE LIFE : UFO SPOTTING : ON ILKLEY MOOR.
00.9.93 : YORKSHIRE LIFE : UFO SPOTTED IN ILKLEY MOOR.

REGIONAL ARTICLES :

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- 1.9.93 : STROUD NEWS & JOURNAL : 'STROUD IS A UFO HOT SPOT'
SAYS TOP EXPERT.
- 2.9.93 : BROMSGROVE ADVERTISER : FLYING SAUCERS.
- 2.9.93 : BROMSGROVE ADVERTISER : NOT A UFO.
- 7.9.93 : LYNN NEWS & ADVERTISER : NEW GROUP FORMED AFTER WEST
(REST OF HEADLINE UNREADABLE).
- 9.9.93 : RYEDALE STAR : FLYING PHENOMENA OR JUST PIE IN THE
'SKY ?
- 9.9.93 : MIDDY (THE) : NO TITLE. (REFS TO BARRY REYNOLDS OF
THE SUSSEX BRANCH OF C.C.C.S).
- 10.9.93 : SOUTH LONDON PRESS : 'IT WASN'T A PLANE IT WAS A
UFO.....'.
- 13.9.93 : SHROPSHIRE STAR : SCEPTICAL ONLOOKER.
- 16.9.93 : HORNSEY JOURNAL : BIG DATE FOR UFO BUFFS.
- 16.9.93 : READING EVENING POST : OUT OF THIS WORLD.
- 17.9.93 : HASTINGS & ST LEONARDS OBSERVER : UFO UPDATE.
- 18.9.93 : HALIFAX EVENING COURIER : THEY DIDN'T BELIEVE MY UFO
STORY.
- 22.9.93 : HUDDERSFIELD DAILY EXAMINER : CAN WE REALLY RULE OUT
THESE LITTLE GREEN
MEN ?
- 22.9.93 : LANCASHIRE EVENING TELEGRAPH : NIGHT WATCH.
- 22.9.93 : STROUD NEWS & JOURNAL : AN ALIEN EVENT FOR WILLIAM.
- 23.9.93 : BRADFORD TELEGRAPH & ARGUS : FLYING VISITORS.
- 26.9.93 : PLYMOUTH SUNDAY INDEPENDENT : LITTLE GREEN MEN FLOCK
TO SOUTH WEST.
- 28.9.93 : BRADFORD TELEGRAPH & ARGUS : NO TITLE.
(REFS TO LECTURE BY YORKSHIRE EARTH MYSTERIES).
- 30.9.93 : ILKLEY GAZETTE : FAMOUS 'ALIEN' PICTURE ON SHOW.
- 30.9.93 : CHASE POST : NO TITLE : (REFS TO ABDUCTION OF GRAHAM
ALLEN IN 1979).
- 30.9.93 : HERTS & ESSEX OBSERVER : A WASTE OF OUR MONEY.
- 30.9.93 : MID SUSSEX TIMES : NIGHT OF MY CLOSE ENCOUNTER.

NEWSPAPER UNKNOWN :

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- 9.9.93 : UFO MANIA.

WORLD ARTICLE :

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- 23.9.93 : NORTH WEST NEWS (AUSTRALIA) : NO HEADLINE.

PRESS CUTTING COLLECTION.

I am keeping a monthly running total of my press cutting collection.If you are after an article(s) for research into a particular sighting etc,then drop me a line and I will see what I have,that is relevant to your enquiry :

CROP CIRCLES	:	804
UK NATIONALS	:	978
UK REGIONALS	:	3250
HAMPSHIRE ARTICLES	:	97
NEWSPAPER UNKNOWN	:	657
MAGAZINE ARTICLES	:	274
REST OF THE WORLD	:	59
SOUTHAMPTON ECHO	:	393
TIMES (THE)	:	142
AMERICAN ARTICLES	:	569
BERMUDA TRIANGLE	:	3
BIGFOOT	:	4
PHILADELPHIA EXPERIMENT	:	1
CATTLE MUTILATIONS	:	13
STEALTH FIGHTER/BOMBER	:	5
FACES ON MARS	:	3
MYSTERY CATS	:	17
AURORA PROJECT	:	3
SEARCH FOR ET	:	2
LOCH NESS MONSTER	:	2

TOTAL : 7303

Press/Tv/Radio matters over the past month 15.10.94 - 15.11.94.

PRESS :

Southampton Evening Echo : 18.10.94 :

This was in fact a letter that I wrote to the newspaper to publicise the group a bit and to see what sort of reaction I got.Well,it was better than I expected.I received 1 phone call and 3 letters.One reader reported that he had had strange markings on his lawn during the summer and did I have any ideas !! (Well,I could of said a UFO had landed in his back garden,but that was too easy....ED).He had photographed the strange markings,but the film got damaged when he took the film out of the camera.....!!!!!!.

Southampton Evening Echo : 22.10.94 :

This follows on from a previous article that reported a UFO sighting over Bishop's Waltham, near Southampton, by Mary Emmett. In this article, two boys report that they sighted an object that looked like the bars on an electric fire. Also, the article showed a crop circle formation, and underneath the headline : CEREAL KILLERS : A Bishop's Waltham circle. In fact there have never been any crop circles near Bishops Waltham, and the formation mentioned, actually appeared in West Sussex.....

Southampton Evening Echo : 5.11.94 :

MYSTERY OF LIGHTS IN THE SKY ABOVE CITY. -----

A veteran UFO watcher says he got a shock when he looked up at the night sky over Southampton from his bedroom window.

Two mysterious balls of light were 'clearly visible' as Mark Moore and Katie Gulliver watched from their home at Elmfield North, Millbrook.

The mystery sighting has coincided with two other "visits". One - described as a rotating circle of lights - was witnessed by four security guards at Southampton University. The other, a similar sighting, was made a few hours earlier by Beverley Petts, of Lordshill.

Paul Fuller, of Tavistock Close, Romsey, a former member of BUFORA, has contacted several airports, the police and the Ministry of Defence in his quest for an explanation of Mark and Katie's sighting.

The MoD says there were no unusual radar traces in the Southampton area that night, and adds : "We are content that UK national security has not been breached". Mark said he and Katie noticed two bright balls of lights close together at 11.15pm. After a few minutes they rose and passed quickly over the flats making a "jet-like noise".

At nearby Southampton University, security guards are convinced they had a close encounter at 5am.

One of them described seeing "a circle of rays of light radiating from a dark core".

"At one point it was right above me. I called my boss on the radio."

His boss - the 47 year old head of security at the university who cannot be identified - said : "It was extraordinary. We have been through every rational explanation and can come up with nothing".

Southampton Evening Echo : 8.11.94. :

UFO REPORTS SHOT DOWN BY LASER LIGHT THEORY.

Reports of spinning circles of light in the clouds had UFO watchers in Southampton scanning the night sky over the last few weeks.

The mystery lights have been spotted across the Southampton area during the last few days heightening fears that little green men might be about to make contact.

In the early hours of Friday morning four security guards at Southampton University claimed to have had a close encounter with a huge 'Cartwheel of lights'.

Their report sparked a flood of calls from residents who said they had seen something similar.

Maria Smith, of Adur Close, Bitterne, was so scared by the 'sweeping oval of lights' that she could not get back to sleep after seeing them at around midnight.

'I was petrified,' she said.

And Raymond Ashford, a storage technician at Southampton University, said he saw strange circles of 'bluey lights' at about 10.30pm.

But the explanation for the sightings could be a little more down to earth.

Recent firework displays have been accompanied by laser light shows and sceptics believe there are behind the wave of UFO sightings.

Marilyn Weeks, of Laser Creations International, said some of the descriptions sounded very similar to shows they had staged over the last week or so.

Shows at Netley Marsh and a Southampton University may be behind the mystery - but the witnesses were quick to dispute this rather more mundane explanation.

'I've seen laser shows before and this definitely wasn't the same', said Maria Smith.

And the security guard's encounter may remain an enigma after a spokesman for Pains Fireworks in Romsey, which organises laser shows locally, said there was 'not a chance' of rehearsals going on as late as 5am.

'These boys don't like staying up too late,' he said.

Southampton Evening Echo : 10.11.94 :

EARTHLINGS NEED NOT FRET OVER SKY LIGHTS.

FORGET the notion of little green men from somewhere out in the Milky Way trying to contact us with colourfull arrays of spinning circles.

What people in the Southampton area spotted in the dark skies of late has a more,down to earth explanation,according to readers who contacted us by the more natural communication of the phone.

Recent firework displays have been enhanced by laser light shows and two callers denounced Pains Fireworks explanation that there was 'not a chance' of show rehearsals going on at Netley Marsh.

'Yes,it was.' said Pc Chris Small who was on late duties last week and drove past the Netley Marsh site.And Andrew Warren of Water Lane,Totton agreed.'It was definitely Netley Marsh and it was going on until 4am'.

As far as the lights above Southampton are concerned,Noel Kay,of Arundel Road,Boyatt Wood,Eastleigh,described how he had followed the lights from Chandler's Ford and found them being made from someone operating on a roof in Thomas Lewis Way, Portswood.

'It was like the old war lights.' he said. 'It was very effectively done,going right up into the sky,rotating and making pretty patterns'.

TELEVISION :

Network First : 18.10.94 (The program that never was !!!!!) :

The program concerning UFO's was scheduled for the 18th of October (Honestly !!!!!)...The program was made with the help of Jenny Randles and Timothy Good.But what happened,we got the first part of a 2 part special concerning the Czar or Russia (Bolsheviks !!! I hear you all say).

I can only presume the programs were changed to coincide with the queens visit to Russia the same week.Also, the claims made by a woman to be a surviving Czarina turned out to be false following genetic fingerprinting results,which was also announced this week.One hopes that the UFO program will be shown soon,otherwise it will be a swift kick up the Bolsheviks for the programmers...We wait with baited breath !! following on from above,having received a newsletter from the IUFOFRA in Ireland,they state that the program has been cancelled indefinitely !!!!! oh well you can't win them all (ED).

Equinox : Channel 4 :

This hour long program looked at hypnosis and the use in hypnotic regression. Jenny Randles was featured on it for about 5 minutes. She said that she witnessed a UFO herself, and as an experiment she was regressed. But 50% of the memory turned out to be fact, but the other 50% never happened and was created within her mind. So, hypnotic regression doesn't work for all, but maybe you have to be a certain type of person for the regression technique to work for you.

Newsround : 19.10.94 & BBC 1 NEWS : 19.10.94 :

A military aircraft, whilst filming above a thunder storm captured flashes of coloured lights above the clouds and some people believe that these could account for some UFO sightings. Also, the plane filmed columns of gas being fired far out into space at terrific speeds. So, remember, when you are in a thunder storm, and you see a UFO, it is only coloured lights.. (Dream on....ED).

Good Morning with Anne & Nick, BBC 1 : 31.10.94 :

This featured our old friend Philip Mantle and two abductees, one of them being ex-PC Alan Godfrey and we had to listen to his abduction, and subsequent examination for about the 1,000th time (Why do they bring out Alan when ever there is the mention of abductions and examinations.....). Not a bad item as things go, and lasted for about 10 mins.

Strange But True : Michael Aspel : 4.11.94 :

In this edition, there was a look at UFO activity in Scotland and a number of cases in the area. The famous attempted abduction of the forestry worker by spiked balls (painfull), that left rips in his trousers. Also a look at the Bonnybridge area and an interview with Malcolm Robinson, local UFO investigator. A well produced item, and I hope that future items are just as good. Running time about 15 minutes.

Schofield's Quest : 6.11.94 :

The program wants viewers to solve the mystery of the crop circles. The item featured the one and only Reg Presley (Who !) who stated that it was a form of high energy that created the circles (I've heard that one before...(ED)). Also, they had the hoaxer of the century Doug Bower, who created a crop circle in 15 mins for the program. Towards the end of the program, the presenter read out some of the viewers replies, and one viewer said that it was a large group of rampant hedge hogs that created the circles.....

Magic & Mystery Show : 10.11.94 :

This featured Dr Allen of the Wessex Skeptics, who demonstrated the way Doug and Dave created the circles with their rope and stick technique. It was very one sided, and I feel where the program went wrong, was that they had no one there to counteract his claims. This is one to be filed in the video archive....

RADIO :

Radio 4 : 19.10.94 : Anderson Country.

This item featured Tony Dodd of Quest International, and 3 people who claimed that they had been abducted by aliens. The program was your average run of the mill stories of abduction, experiments and all that goes with abductions. The item lasted for about 20 mins and was worth listening to.

Magazine Reviews.

1. E.M.U.F.O.R.A : Vol 1 No 3. Autumn 94 :

This edition looks at the Blackpool Conference, a sighting in 1986 of a black triangle at Bonsall Moor, Derbyshire. Also, the continuation of Faces - Places - Cases, Crop Circles reach Romania and much more. For more details, contact : EMUFORA, 8 Roosa Close, Hempshill Vale, Bulwell, Nottingham, NG6 7BL.

2. ENIGMA : No 4. Autumn 94 :

Paul Vigay's magazine looks at circle events of 94 up until this issue, with great scale drawings of some of the formations, book and video reviews, Roswell : The Evidence, and much more. For more details, contact : Paul Vigay, 104 Manners Rd, Southsea, Portsmouth, Hants, PO4 0BG.

3. UFO REPORTER : No 3. July/Aug 94 :

A relatively new magazine to appear on the UFO circuit, and one that I think will be around for much much longer. In this edition, there is a look at strange encounters on the Isle of Man, The swastika UFO mystery, orange balls of light and much more. For more details, contact : Nigel Mortimer, 5 Stocks Hill, Menston, Nr Ilkley, W. Yorkshire. LS29 6ND.

4. UFO MAGAZINE : Nov/Dec 94 :

Quests magazine as ever is well worth a read, and although I don't go along with everything the magazine looks at, it is still worth getting hold of. This edition looks at UFO's and the military, did a UFO blast a hole in Russia ?, the Roswell UFO crash, Operation Reneid, A strange harvest and much more. To get a copy check with your local branch of W.H. SMITHS.

5. WORLD UFO JOURNAL : No 7. 1994 :

This is one of my favourite mags packed with news and views. This edition looks at the landed Canadian flying saucer of 1991, UFO sightings, press cuttings, Roswell, magazine reviews and takes a look at ROSWELL : THE MOVIE. For more details, contact Edward Harris, 16, Newton Green, Gt Dunmow, Essex, CM6 1DU.

6. CIRCLE HUNTER : No 7 October 94 :

If you want to keep an eye on circle activity in the North of England, then there is no better magazine in my view. In this edition, a look at the circle makers who appear to be more active on weekends, a look at the circles that have recently appeared in the North, and part 4 of the 1994 crop circle gallery. For more details, contact : Anthony Horn. 23 Sea View Drive, Scarborough, N. Yorks. YO11 3HY.

7. UFO MONTHLY (Southern Paranormal Investigations Group) :

No 11. 94 :

One of the few monthly magazines, this edition continues with an article about Roswell, the validity of abductions, and much more. For more details, contact Len Smith on 0705 640074.

8. IUFOFRA : Oct - Dec 94 Newsletter :

It is great to see that IUFOFRA are still going great guns in Ireland, and as ever, their quarterly newsletter is full of information. In this edition, they look at a forth coming video about Billy Meier, aliens being used to advertise a new CD-Rom and much more. For more details, contact IUFOFRA, P.O. BOX 3070, Whitehall, Dublin 9, Eire.

9. BRITISH FLYING SAUCER BUREAU : UFO NEWS BULLETIN : Oct 94 :

It is great to see a new magazine from the oldest UFO group in Britain. The magazine still uses the same front cover as the early 1950 editions. There is a look at the year ahead, are there any UFOs ?, A brief resume of UFOs and ufology and press cuttings. For more details, contact : BFSB, Warwick House, 52 Nevil Road, Bishopston, Bristol, BS7 9EH.

10. EAST MIDLANDS UFO ASSOCIATION : SPECIAL EDITION :

USA TRIP 1994 :

This appears to be a one off and looks at Tony James and his wife's holiday in America this year. It looks at the places they visited, Groom Lake, The Little A-Le-Inn in Nevada and Gulf Breeze. Also, they managed to meet Ed Walters and visit the location where the famous road side photograph was taken by Ed Walters. (They made me feel very envious, and next time you go to America Tony, make room for me in your suitcase...!!!!...ED.).

11. ENIGMAS (MALCOLM ROBINSON) : No 38 Nov/Dec 94 :

If you want a magazine that covers Scotland, then look no further. Malcolm's magazine covers such things as ghosts, UFO's, The Loch Ness Monster and more. In this edition, there is an interview with Derek Lauder, who talks about his UFO sightings this year, letters to the editor, recommended books, UFO spotted over Falkirk, Ghosts and much more. For more details, contact : Malcolm Robinson, 41 The Braes, Tullibody, Clackmannanshire, Scotland, FK10 2TT.

12. THE CIRCLE HUNTER : No 8 November 94 :

The best of the crop from the North... This edition looks at more formations found North of the Watford gap, photo's of the formations found North of the Watford gap, and an in-depth look at Molecroft 'Shoelace' formation. For more details see item no.6 of the magazine reviews.

U F O H O T L I N E.

Charges : 36p Standard Rate. 48p Peak Rate (Per Minute)

Bufoa Weekly News Update : 0891 121 886.

Newsletter Subscription Details.

The Newsletter consists of no less than 5 double-sided A4 pages. Also, newscuttings that may be of interest to the reader. In the Summer months, around April, an extra page is included to cover any crop circle news.

The Newsletter costs £5 per year (Including Postage) and is

***** M O N T H L Y *****

UFO SIGHTINGS HIT SOUTHAMPTON.

Also see article from the Southampton Evening Echo 5.11.94.

I was contacted by a reporter from the Southampton Evening Echo on the 2.11.94 at 7pm, who informed me of the sightings as mentioned in the Southern Evening Echo on the 5.11.94. But, on the 5.11.94 I received a phone call from Mr L, who at 4.30am on the 2.11.94, 30mins before the 4 security guards at the University saw their object, reported the following sighting :

'At 4.30am I was leaving my home at Calmore, when I suddenly felt a presence around me, as if something or someone else was near to me. It was a damp morning, and the over head power cables were buzzing (This appears to be a normal happening on damp mornings). I suddenly looked up, and there it was, two clusters of lights, and from their appearance, they were overlapping each other. The two lights appeared to be made up of 15 diamond or rugby shaped lights. They then moved off about 500yds to the north with an oscillating motion, then suddenly turned back and started coming back towards the witness. At this point Mr L got into his car and continued to work.

The above case and other sightings reported to myself and to Paul Fuller are still under investigation, and to date no more reports have come from the area since the Laser lights at an organised fireworks display have packed up and been put away for another year. I hope to bring more information on these sightings in a future newsletter.

Video and Audio Tape Material.

I have available a Video Cassette/Audio Tape catalogue available of the complete collection I hold. I have material dating back to the late 1950's to present day. The catalogue contains 300 audio tapes and 135 Videos covering the subjects of Crop Circles, UFO's, Mystery Cats, The Bermuda Triangle and much more. For the Video catalogue, please send 3 1st class stamps. If you want the complete Video/Audio catalogue, please send 6 first class stamps.